## A BEAK RAID ORGANIZED

Circulars Assailing Mergenthaler Stock Part of a General Plan.

Manipulators Resort to New Methods to Depress Prices-Fictitious Names Used to Bolster Up Stories of Deterioration - The Stock Exchange to Take the Matter in Hand.

The anonymous circular recently sent to many holders of Mergenthaler Lisotype stock in this city, just before the recent decline in Linotype, is believed by many to be the work of the people that are operating in the same fashion in New York. Others, with perhaps more reason, consider the attack on Mergenthaler to be only a humble imitation of the New York game, which is one of the most re-

sit Railway recently in offering a reward of \$25,000 for information regarding attacks on the standing of the company, for the purpose of depressing Transit stock tinued short sales in stocks.

In the market, has called the attention of \_\_\_\_\_\_ The foreign money markets do not re In the market, has called the attention of New York financial people to what seems to be a great bear propaganda in the market. A clique of important bear pro-fessional operators is believed by many to be responsible for the many stories. largely untrue, and for the rumors, mostly enfounded, that have been circulated dur-lag the first few months. There never has

Wall Street before, it is said.

The newspaper advertising columns have been full of statements, over fictitious names, purporting to give valuable infor-mation, and a great number of anonymous circulars similar to the Mergeuthaler cirnames, purporting to give valuable information, and a great number of anonymous circulars similar to the Mergenthaler circular have been sent to the brokers and financial house sent to the brokers and but the control of the control financial houses generally.

These anonymous documents, generally starting off with the statement that "a prominent bankers says," and continuing with an analysis or alleged analysis of the statement of some corporation, with de-ductions, that receiverships were inevitable, etc., attracted considerable attention at first, from the novelty of the means em ployed, and then had some effect on stock market values.

Later the frequency with which the his gar, ulity deprived the anonymous circulars of influence, and they were tossed unread into various wastebaskets. As the "prominent banker's" influence grew less. with greater and ever increasing frequency there came to the newspapers a class of advertisements seeking to accomplish the same object, and bearing a variety of names calculated to give confidence or intimate knowledge of facts.

It is a curious commentary in Wall Street that such anonymous notices had a pro nounced effect at times on securities. Absolutely worthless properties were, in sev-eral instances, rushed up to amazing figures; some good ones also were affected similarly, and then the advertisements would suddenly change, and with some announcement that the "deal was off" the stock would be left to shift for itself or openly attacked. At other times a property was selected for depreciation, and re-iterations were made daily, sometimes in one paper, sometimes in another, that "X, Z, will sell at 19," naming some property that was selling at a much higher

It has never been possible to ascertain from what source these notices came, for they were received through regular chan-Many attempts have has gained currency.

banker" interviews with himself and the tan, Western Union, Brooklyn Rapid Transit, Tennessee Coal and Iron, Peoria, Decatur and Evansville, Leather common, and Pullman Palace Car Company.

It has been suggested that the Stock Exchange should take the matter in hand, trace the evil to its source and punish the offenders. It possesses ample powers, and by systematic detective work could doubtedly unearth the offenders.

## MINERAL PRODUCTIONS.

The Vear's Total Output of Ameri-

Preliminary estimates of the mineral production of the country in the year 1899 place the total production of metals at \$113. 758,414, as compared with \$214,255,620 in 1898 (values at the places of production). Of non-metallic substances the total value of the output was \$601,872,631, as compared with \$482,091,970 in 1898. Deducting certain unavoidable duplications, such as coal used in coke, Iron ore in pig iron, etc., the net value of the mineral production reached the great sum of \$851,424,082, showing an increase of \$181,607,332 over 1898. The gold production was valued at \$72,482,655, and the silver was 61,179,689 ounces. The most important mineral product was

coal the total of which in 1899 was no less than 244,581,275 tons, the largest quantity ever mined in a year, and putting the United States for the first time ahead of

Great Britain as a coal producer.

The pig iron was 13,649,453 tens, or 1,-875,519 tons greater than in 1898. Copper production amounted to 582,672,637 pounds, a gain of 11 per cent over the previous year. Other important items were 213,000 tons of lead, 185,796 tons of zinc, 54,648,100 barrels of petroleum, 15,794,511 barrels of cement, 19.025,794 barrels of salt, 28.713 flasks of quicksilver, besides a very great variety of p ineral products of less importance.

## BALTIMORE'S COURT HOUSE.

The New Building to Be Formally

Opened Today. BALTIMORE, Jan. 7 .- The new court house will be dedicated and turned over to the city at noon today. The work of moving furniture and records of the various courts into the new building will begin imdiately afterward, and on the Monday following it is expected that all of the courts will be installed in the new building and ready for business. The preparations for the dedicatory exercises were com-pleted Saturday. Chief Judge Har-lan, of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore city, called upon Mayor Hayes during the morning and received assurances that so far as the city officials were concerned, all preparations had been made to take tare of the new building after the court boose commission is relieved of the responsibility.

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## STOCK MARKET GOSSIP.

The Outlook Considered Favorable by Important Critics.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7 .- A policy of extreme conservatism has been followed by mportant interests generally in the stock market during the past week, and there is excellent reason for believing that this policy will not lightly be given up. The professional people have controlled the serve and list fluctuations of prices largely, and as the surface news and gossip has been somewhat disquieting, the result has been a cersation of the advance in prices and in Reserve required against deposits some cases declines. Intrinsically, however, the situation is sound and strong, with its potentialities all in the direction of better things. Conservatism is whole some after such a break in prices as oc curred three weeks ago. It lays a foundation for a fine recovery from "the pros

The local situation has been subjected to a severe strain, especially last week, from foreign affairs, and the ease with which that strain has been borne should convince markable in Wall Street history in some all the doubters of the market's underlying strength. Sales for foreign account in espects. the week aggregated 150,000 shares, all of The action of the Brooklyn Rapid Tran-which were absorbed by this market without material effect upon quotations. There are uncertainties in the situation that make careful men cautious, but there is nothing to offer encouragement to con-

> flect uneasiness in financial circles over possible diplomatic complications. Money in Berlin and London is easier than at any

time since November. Experience in the past shows that ac-tual hostilities are never, or almost never, brought about by the seizure of neutral the first few months. There never lass ships by a belligerent during time of war, such a flood of this kind of news in ... If foreign bankers (who it may be recalled are in close touch with inner politi-cal circles) saw trouble ahead between England and Germany, fussia, or any buy the stocks that it is now forced to sell, and operators who sell at the current level will be glad to buy back ten points

Henry Clews says of the situation: "The new year opens up with the most favorable prospects. It is rare, indeed, that the whole business situation of any country is in so satisfactory a condition as we find it here in the United States today. The railroads were never earrying so much ton-nage, and that is a good index to general prosperity. The war in South Africa is not and Columbus, Lima and Milwaukee. Their likely to affect values in this country a second time as seriously as the recent one. debt \$25,990,000, and their total capital if we receive good news it will be so much stock \$27,195,600. This showing seems very to our advantage, and if the news is not nearly miraculous, in comparison with the favorable we will not be taken by surprise.

Therefore, I take it, that the disturbunce follows: in the Transvaal has given us about the worst shock that it is likely to do. We have already shipped \$14,925,000 gold, which has done considerable good in Lendon without doing us any particular harm. As a matter of fact, we have derived con-siderable benefit by having benefited the London money market by the gold we have sent there, as our investment securities have ceased now to be returned in consequence. The holdings of our securities in culative hands in London were probably never smaller than they are just now. So there is nothing to fear from this one ree under any circumstances.

"Concerning the immediate future of the market, we look for advancing prices. Stocks are in strong hands, and there will e plents of money for investment."

The "Financial Chronicle" says that "the prospect as to easier money has been an uncertain feature, but the large interior movement to New York this week would seem to afford a promise that the flow has been reversed. This reversal of the interior movem mit may, however, to some extent at least, be a result of the internal mentioned, but nothing definite has been ascertained. At first Wall Street believed gold seems in the law for deposition as the matter developed and the amount of money expended for advertising linereased, the theory that it is the result of an organized attemnt of an organized attemnt of the second control of a second contr our cable yesterday from London tells us that the arrivals at that point from New ong the properties that have figured e way or another in the "prominent for interviews with himself and the mous advertisements are Manhar-western Union, Brooklyn Rapid weeks. At present, however, with the interviews of the announcements of shipments on this side for the corresponding weeks. At present, however, with the interview of the same of this way, and the reserve of the clearing house institu-

### New York Stock Market. Corrected daily by W. B. Albhs & Co.,

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	A. S. Wire		47		46%	47
	A S. Wire pitt		90	90	90	90
	American Sogar		131%	131%	120	130
	American Tobacco		102%	103%	101%	202
	Atchism		1914	194	19%	19
	Atchison pfd		60%	-60%	90%	90
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	Federal Steel		74		75	70
	Federal Steel pfd		199	122	100	122
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	Illinois Central				111%	
	Louisville & Nashville		PSN	78%	13.5	2.70
	Metropolitan Traction		155%		174.5	
	Manhottun Elevated	+	95.5		94.%	
	Missouri Pacific	4	40%		39%	
	M. K. & T. pfd		32 %		7215	
	National Load Courses		25.4	26.4	1000	
	New Jersey Central			115	113	115
	New York Central		136	136 %	35.5	
	Northern Pacific			52%		
	Northern Pacific pfd		THE	28%	73	73
d	Pacific Mail		45%		44.5	
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	Texas Pacific		轿	15	5	15
	Tenn. Coal & Iron	,	8114	14.4	833	813
	Union Pacific		46%	47.5	46	46
ı	Union Pacific pfd.,,		7456	74.5	74.3	74
	U. S. Leather ptd		75	.5	15	75
ı	Western Union Tel		67%	15%		57
	Colorado Fuel & Iron		52		31%	423
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cial situation is hardly less important to the stock market than the signs of returning sanity in Germany. The banks are rapidly building up their cash re-sources, and they have now reached a position where loan contraction is no longer necessary. In the last week cash holdings increased nearly \$3,000,000, and as the op erations covered by the weekly statement included about \$5,000,000 of gold exports, it may readily be seen how radical a change has taken place in the movement of money in relation to New York. Currency receipts from the interior are running heavie then in any corresponding tials in many years, and if it were not for recent gold ex-

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# banks hold in actual cash \$198,596,000. The following table shows the condition A TWELVE-CLUB CIRCUIT

of the banks for the past week, as compared with the statement for the previous week

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Surplus of reserve above legal required...... \$12,168,073 \$11,757,725

Transactions on the Stock Exchange during the week just ended aggregated 1-821,478 shares. Of this amount 1,560,262 were furnished by twelve stocks, leaving 1,161,216 as the total of the other 183 properties to which there were declines

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Here are the twelve:	-	
Sugar	398,730	Adv. 2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	208,449	Dec.
Leather	102,465	Adv
Tobacco	151,578	Adv. 3
Southern Pacific	146,875	Dec., 15
Union Pacific.	137,305	Dec., 15
Atchison pfd	103,935	Dec., 1
Atchisen pfd	89,526	Adv 5
Steel and Wire		Dec., 13
Barlington	67,399	No chang
Federal Steel	63,230	Dec., 11
Chespeake and Ohio	50,465	Dec 1
It will be seen that amor	g the	active se

seven that declined, and one in which there was no change. It is interesting to note, however, that the coratined advances were larger than the combined declines. Three of the Vanderbilt securities are included in the active list, and New York Central made an advance of 5 points, much the most important of the week.

There were no important railroad receiv erships in the last year, save that of the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf, and that was not one of great significance. In 1893 nearly 30,000 miles of railroad went into receivers' hands, while in 1859 the total was only 1,019 miles, of which the Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf supplied 782 miles. The lines which went into receivers' hands were as follows: Alexander and Rich Mountain, Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf, Tacoma and Columbia River, Licking Valley (3 feet), Silverton (3 feet), Velasco Terminal,

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Many careful investors and speculators the Eastern railways will prove the signa for the strong turn of the stock market to-ward buoyancy and a much higher range of prices. The far-reaching importance of this alliance can hardly be overestimated. if it is to accomplish the entire harmony among all these rallway systems that is looked for, a harmony closely bordering on that of one great well-ordered system. Higher rates, an absence of rate cutting. immense saving of expenses, all are included in the plan proposed. The Balti-more and Ohio, the New York Central, and the Pennsylvania have during the past six months earned more money than they ever did before. With their alliance gross earn-ings should grow and net earnings should increase even more rapidly. The same may be said with equal truth of the other lesser systems included in the alliance.

The action of the Delaware and Hudson directors is not increasing the dividend rate on the stock of the company, and the fears of trouble in the authracite coal regions fully explain the course of the an-thracite stocks in the market on Saturday. terior flow, as indicated, this way, and entire group, in which Lackawanna scored while the Treesury is diverting the Government internal receipts to the banks, points, to 176 1-2. In view of the large There was a very heavy tendency for this earnings of the Delaware and Hudson Com-pany, and the very "rosy" statements con-cerning the condition of the coal trade, the proposed issue of \$1,000,000 of bonds by the Delaware and Hudson Company is hardly explainable. It is alleged that this money will be spent for new equipment, the whole amount being divided into \$1,500,000 of car trusts and \$2,500,000 of debentures. It is quite likely that others for needed equipment or will take the same course as the Delaware and Hudron in borrowing money, either on short or long-time obligations. It may be stated same course as the Delaware and Hudron in borrowing money, either on short or long-time obligations. It may be stated positively that the Jersey Central directors will also fail to increase the dividend rate in their stock. As to the Rending first preferred, there seems no reason why dividend should not be declared in the near future, as the company is earning per cent on the stock, but the course of the Hudson people is not calculated to inspire confidence regarding any of the an-

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

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CORN.			20027	79.07
July	13.4	38%	3334	33%-XB
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PORK.	10.55	10.55	10.55	10.55
May	20.75	10.85	10.70	10.80
LAND.	5.90	5.90	E 60	5.90
May	5.92	5.95	5.87	5.85
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Jan May	5.70	5.493	5.67	5.75

7.31 7.86 7.29 7.36 7.36 7.30 7.37 7.38 7.34 7.37 7.35 7.35 Found the Skull of a Horned Man.

(From the Cincinnati Enquirer.)

Edward Ryan, who has a contract for building the Dayton, Springfield and Urbana Railroad, found the skeleton of a human being in a gravel pit near Medway that is attracting widespread attention. The skull contains four horns, two each side of the head. They are uniform in size and about two inches long. They are situated above and below the ears. Those above turn upward and those below dawmard. On the right side of the head the skull is bedly fractured in dicating that the being last been skilled by some sharp instrument. The skull is about twice as infick as a white man's. It was first thought to be that of an Indian, but the horns indicate that it is the skeleton of some race which inhabited these parts before the Indians. (From the Cincinnati Enquirer.)

There Is to Be No Reduction in the National League.

Baseball Authority Regards the Reported Sloughing Off of Certain Cities as Absurd-All Club Owners Made Money Last Year - Nothing to Be Gained by Discription.

In an interview with a reporter for The It will thus be seen that the surplus of the reserve above the 25 per cent required by law is \$11,757,725, or \$389,850 more than it was for the previous week. ically expressed himself on the current reports that the League circuit will be re

"There will be no reduction of the clubs and they will all appear in regular order when the time comes for the umpire to say 'play ball.' All this talk of a reduction is nonsense, and the twelve clubs that now constitute the National League will start

and finish next season as usual. "In the first place, the reduction would simply be suicidal for the League. It is the first and only body of the kind in the country, and the lopping off of four clubs would mean that another organization for the promotion of the national game would start up with at least four cities well equipped in the matter of grounds, etc., for the season. It stands to reason that no four paying baseball towns will be dropped any more than the Standard Oil Company would stop pumping oil in one or two of its largest fields and abandon the property to fate or to any other concern that could start up in twenty-four hours and place themselves instantly in a position to compete with the old company in its business. If four cities are dropped from the League circuit it would reduce the receipts of the League one-third, and besides the franchises of these four cities would be lost forever to the parent body. That is one "Now for another. How many men are

there in this country who can afford to pay out, say \$30,000, in cold cash, and get nothing in return? Of course, the club owners will get somthing in retura. will get the players from the teams that are dropped from the League, but what will they do with them after they have been secured, and what good are they goin been secured, and what good are they going to do the League? The idea in dropping the clubs seems to be that the baseball game should not be played in towns too close together. That the Brooklyn and New York clubs cannot be made to pay, and therefore the Brooklyn club must go. That the Cincinnati and Louisville clu are in adjacent cities, and therefore the Louisville team will have to go. That the Baltimore and Washington clubs draw from the same crowd for patronage, which is not true, and therefore one or both of these will have to get out. The whole proposition is absurd. Every one of the clubs made money last year. The owner did not become millionaires, but they mad-money enough to keep them comfortably through the winter and start in the new season with a dollar or two for postage stamps. Washington made money last There was not much of it, but the team was a paying investment for its owners, and they are not willing to re-

linguish it. "The local team is going to prove the downfall of several know-all prophets next season, too. Last year the club contained a number of men who had never played ball professionally in their lives. At least it was their first appearance with the big ing season. These youngsters demonstrated that they could handle the ball and get tunity to witness close contests this year as ever before, if not better."

Contest With Corbett. A great deal of interest was excited among the followers of the pugilists by 1855 was slightly below that of one the two important announcements that preceding years, and the foreign demand were recently made from Champion Jim | materially below that of 1898. Jeffries' headquarters. The first was to the effect that he would fight Corbett in earlier years indicates the wonderful change of date for the Corbett mill was a to them. The number of sailing vess which in 1869 was 939, was in 1879 1,403. surprise to many of the friends of the champion in this city, as he stated when he was here hast that he desired to have he was here hast that he desired to have the was here hast that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here hast that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has that he desired to have the was here has t plenty of time to train for the event. This statement was made in connection with the report that was circulated to the effect that he was not in condition when he feet that he was not in condition when he is a facilities of the control of the co plenty of time to train for the event. This feet that he was not in committed that he fought Sharkey. Jeffries admitted that he creased from 524,885 in 1889, to 7,677,071 in was not in the best of trim at that time. 1879, 7,221,935 in 1889, and 21,958,347 in and stated that he would take a least three 1899.

point to a stiff fight. Both of the men will have to weigh 118 pounds at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of the fight. The friends of McGovern seem to be afraid that he will be over weight. They were confronted by the same dilemma when he fought Pedlar Palmer last September but Terry weighed in at 115.3-4, when the articles called for 116. McGovern does no dissipate in any form, and for this reason any extra weight he takes on is simply muscle and strength. He never permits himself to get fat. Saturday he weighed a trifle over 119 pounds. He is pretty sure that he will drop to 118 before tonight and not gain any more until after scaling time. He is in wonderful shape and has no fear

Dixon is at work in his training quarters about one mile out of Lakewood, N. J. Dixon has been training here for nearly a year at intervals, and for the past three weeks has been working industriously in preparation for his battle with McGovern In spite of reports of heavy betting against him, Dixon has firm confidence in his own ability, and he remarked without any bluster, but with quite positive words, that as this was to be his last fight he should have to win it. Nothing in his talk, however, or that of Charley Miner, who has been his trainer for years, indicates that they un-derrate in the least McGovern's calibre as e hard, scientific fighter.

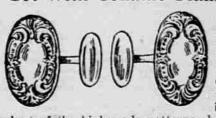
## The Colonizing Powers.

(From the Chicago ecord.) Within the last eighteen years 8,676,129 square miles have been added to the cidental empires of the great coloniang powers. The total, not including Egypt nor the Soudan, is as follows: Great Britain, 3,987,312; France, 2,936,562; Germany, 1,029,070; Russia, 185,881; United States, 186,607; Netherlands, 123,677; Portugal, 96,605; Spain, 79,611, More Specials from Castelberg's.

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## COMMERCE ON THE LAKES

A Heavy Increase of Traffic Through St. Mary's Falls Canal.

The Business Activity of the Past Year Inparalleled in the History of the Inter-Lake Regions-A Comparative Statement of Thirty Years Development-Interesting Figures.

The business activities of 1899 in the great producing and manufacturing regions bordering upon the Great Lakes are illustrated by the report of the business passing through the Sault Ste. Marle Canal, connecting Lake Superior with Lakes Michigan, Huron, Erie, and Ontario, which has just been received by the Treasury Bureau league, and they were not used to such fast company. They secured a lot of valued be experience, however, and it is going ber of vessels, number of passengers, quanto be used with good effect in the comtities of freight, and in practically all of the classes of freight passing through that ed that they could handle the ball and get around the diamond last year by the showing they made. The Washington club lost 1899 the highest record of business activity twenty-nine games by one run. That is a large number when the percentage it ing vessels increased 7 per cent, as comwould have given the team had the two necessary runs in each game placed them pared with last year; the number of steamin the lead. Washington would have fin-ished somewhere near the top of the first division anyhow, and then there would not have not till shout a sale of the ship. nave been no talk about a sale of the club.

The club is not going to be sold, and Washingtonians will have fust as good an opporprint the club is not going to be sold, and Washingtonians will have fust as good an opporprint the club. factor in manufacturing activities, iron ore, 30 per cent. In all these important features, which show the activities of the AMONG THE PUGILISTS.

Jeffries Advances the Date of His

producing and manufacturing interests, the record of lake commerce in the year 1899 surpasses that of any preceding year, the only case in which the year's record falls below that of any preceding year being in wheat and flour, of which the supply of

1899. The number of persons passing

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